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**Sent:** 12/3/2021 3:42:00 PM  
**To:** Gaughan, Daniel [Gaughan.Daniel@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Tabayoyong, Michelle [Tabayoyong.Michelle@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: Ochoa Fertilizer Co. (TO-0043-0013) - Unofficial Funding Ceiling Increase Request  
**Attachments:** 68HE0319D0004\_68HE0221F0043\_0013\_\_OCHOA FERTILIZER CO \_Ochoa Fertilizer Co. Assessment.pdf

Dan,

As I believe you are aware, we have been working with the branch to manage effort and the associated cost on a project level since the initiation of the current START V Contract. I have not kept up with the responsibility to properly track these unofficial budgets under Contract Year 3 of the contract so I do apologize for that. I have been in communication with Mark Pane and Michelle Tabayoyong regarding this matter and we would like to clean things up, both retroactively and moving forward. Per the email below, the original ceiling for the Ochoa Fertilizer Co. project (TO-0043-0013) is \$40,000.00. We have been instructed to notify each OSC if we expect costs to exceed that ceiling with the following 5 days for any given TD. We have exceeded the initial \$40,000.00 ceiling as the current estimated cost against the project is at \$45,345.00, through the week ending 11/26/2021. In addition, we expect to continue to incur effort as we support potential field mobilizations and any associated reporting. I estimate that 300 hours will be necessary to allow for the completion of any potential field work and reporting so I am requesting your concurrence to increase the unofficial cost ceiling by \$50,345.00 [ $\$45,345.00$  (estimated cost to date) -  $\$40,000.00$  (initial unofficial ceiling) +  $45,000.00$  (future effort: 300 hours x  $\$150.00$  per hour) =  $\$50,345.00$ . If you concur to this requested increase please reply all to this email. If you have any questions or comments please let me know.

Thanks,

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**Subject:** [EXT]:FW: 68HE0221F0043 Technical Direction letter(s) #0011-0030

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Tim,

**TD #0011** for the **Canadian Radium Site** was issued by the CO June 25, 2021. For clarity of expectation purposes, the Program anticipates the tasks listed in the TD to be undertaken for a cost of no more than

**\$20,000.00.** EPA would like to be notified via email (to the OSC, with copies to Mark Pane, Michelle Tabayoyong and Bonnie Hriczko), if Weston expects to exceed those costs within the following 5 days.

**TD #0012** for the **Canadian Radium Site** was issued by the CO June 25, 2021. For clarity of expectation purposes, the Program anticipates the tasks listed in the TD to be undertaken for a cost of no more than **\$2,000.00.** EPA would like to be notified via email (to the OSC, with copies to Mark Pane, Michelle Tabayoyong and Bonnie Hriczko), if Weston expects to exceed those costs within the following 5 days.

**TD #0013** for the **Ochoa Fertilizer Co. Site** was issued by the CO June 25, 2021. For clarity of expectation purposes, the Program anticipates the tasks listed in the TD to be undertaken for a cost of no more than **\$40,000.00.** EPA would like to be notified via email (to the OSC, with copies to Mark Pane, Michelle Tabayoyong and Bonnie Hriczko), if Weston expects to exceed those costs within the following 5 days.

**TD #0014** for the **Former Roth Cleaners Site** was issued by the CO June 25, 2021. For clarity of expectation purposes, the Program anticipates the tasks listed in the TD to be undertaken for a cost of no more than **\$15,000.00.** EPA would like to be notified via email (to the OSC, with copies to Mark Pane, Michelle Tabayoyong and Bonnie Hriczko), if Weston expects to exceed those costs within the following 5 days.

**TD #0015** for the **Ithaca Gun Site** was issued by the CO June 25, 2021. For clarity of expectation purposes, the Program anticipates the tasks listed in the TD to be undertaken for a cost of no more than **\$2,000.00.** EPA would like to be notified via email (to the OSC, with copies to Mark Pane, Michelle Tabayoyong and Bonnie Hriczko), if Weston expects to exceed those costs within the following 5 days.

**TD #0016** for the **Ithaca Gun Site** was issued by the CO June 25, 2021. For clarity of expectation purposes, the Program anticipates the tasks listed in the TD to be undertaken for a cost of no more than **\$20,000.00.** EPA would like to be notified via email (to the OSC, with copies to Mark Pane, Michelle Tabayoyong and Bonnie Hriczko), if Weston expects to exceed those costs within the following 5 days.

**TD #0017** for the **EC Electroplating Site** was issued by the CO June 25, 2021. For clarity of expectation purposes, the Program anticipates the tasks listed in the TD to be undertaken for a cost of no more than **\$20,000.00.** EPA would like to be notified via email (to the OSC, with copies to Mark Pane, Michelle Tabayoyong and Bonnie Hriczko), if Weston expects to exceed those costs within the following 5 days.

**TD #0018** for the **Tech City Site** was issued by the CO June 25, 2021. For clarity of expectation purposes, the Program anticipates the tasks listed in the TD to be undertaken for a cost of no more than **\$2,000.00.** EPA would like to be notified via email (to the OSC, with copies to Mark Pane, Michelle Tabayoyong and Bonnie Hriczko), if Weston expects to exceed those costs within the following 5 days.

**TD #0019** for the **Ithaca Gun Site** was issued by the CO June 25, 2021. For clarity of expectation purposes, the Program anticipates the tasks listed in the TD to be undertaken for a cost of no more than **\$80,000.00.** EPA would like to be notified via email (to the OSC, with copies to Mark Pane, Michelle Tabayoyong and Bonnie Hriczko), if Weston expects to exceed those costs within the following 5 days.

**TD #0020** for the **Wolff Alport Site** was issued by the CO June 25, 2021. For clarity of expectation purposes, the Program anticipates the tasks listed in the TD to be undertaken for a cost of no more than **\$40,000.00.** EPA would like to be notified via email (to the OSC, with copies to Mark Pane, Michelle Tabayoyong and Bonnie Hriczko), if Weston expects to exceed those costs within the following 5 days.

**TD #0021** for the **Morgan Materials Site** was issued by the CO June 25, 2021. For clarity of expectation purposes, the Program anticipates the tasks listed in the TD to be undertaken for a cost of no more than **\$1,500.00.** EPA would like to be notified via email (to the OSC, with copies to Mark Pane, Michelle Tabayoyong and Bonnie Hriczko), if Weston expects to exceed those costs within the following 5 days.

**TD #0022** for the **Puerto Rico Battery Site** was issued by the CO June 25, 2021. For clarity of expectation purposes, the Program anticipates the tasks listed in the TD to be undertaken for a cost of no more than **\$30,000.00.** EPA would like to be notified via email (to the OSC, with copies to Mark Pane, Michelle Tabayoyong and Bonnie Hriczko), if Weston expects to exceed those costs within the following 5 days.

**TD #0023** for the **Puerto Rico Battery Site** was issued by the CO June 25, 2021. For clarity of expectation purposes, the Program anticipates the tasks listed in the TD to be undertaken for a cost of no more than **\$30,000.00**. EPA would like to be notified via email (to the OSC, with copies to Mark Pane, Michelle Tabayoyong and Bonnie Hriczko), if Weston expects to exceed those costs within the following 5 days.

**TD #0024** for the **Puerto Rico Battery Site** was issued by the CO June 25, 2021. For clarity of expectation purposes, the Program anticipates the tasks listed in the TD to be undertaken for a cost of no more than **\$6,000.00**. EPA would like to be notified via email (to the OSC, with copies to Mark Pane, Michelle Tabayoyong and Bonnie Hriczko), if Weston expects to exceed those costs within the following 5 days.

**TD #0025** for the **Historic Potteries Site** was issued by the CO June 25, 2021. For clarity of expectation purposes, the Program anticipates the tasks listed in the TD to be undertaken for a cost of no more than **\$30,000.00**. EPA would like to be notified via email (to the OSC, with copies to Mark Pane, Michelle Tabayoyong and Bonnie Hriczko), if Weston expects to exceed those costs within the following 5 days.

**TD #0026** for the **River Vale Radium Site** was issued by the CO June 25, 2021. For clarity of expectation purposes, the Program anticipates the tasks listed in the TD to be undertaken for a cost of no more than **\$50,000.00**. EPA would like to be notified via email (to the OSC, with copies to Mark Pane, Michelle Tabayoyong and Bonnie Hriczko), if Weston expects to exceed those costs within the following 5 days.

**TD #0027** for the **Brick Block Site** was issued by the CO June 25, 2021. For clarity of expectation purposes, the Program anticipates the tasks listed in the TD to be undertaken for a cost of no more than **\$30,000.00**. EPA would like to be notified via email (to the OSC, with copies to Mark Pane, Michelle Tabayoyong and Bonnie Hriczko), if Weston expects to exceed those costs within the following 5 days.

**TD #0028** for the **White Plains Mercury Response Site** was issued by the CO June 25, 2021. For clarity of expectation purposes, the Program anticipates the tasks listed in the TD to be undertaken for a cost of no more than **\$3,750.00**. EPA would like to be notified via email (to the OSC, with copies to Mark Pane, Michelle Tabayoyong and Bonnie Hriczko), if Weston expects to exceed those costs within the following 5 days.

**TD #0029** for the **TRACE Database Services** was issued by the CO June 25, 2021. For clarity of expectation purposes, the Program anticipates the tasks listed in the TD to be undertaken for a cost of no more than **\$7,500.00**. EPA would like to be notified via email (to the OSC, with copies to Mark Pane, Michelle Tabayoyong and Bonnie Hriczko), if Weston expects to exceed those costs within the following 5 days.

**TD #0030** for the **Action Memo Database Services** was issued by the CO June 25, 2021. For clarity of expectation purposes, the Program anticipates the tasks listed in the TD to be undertaken for a cost of no more than **\$7,500.00**. EPA would like to be notified via email (to the OSC, with copies to Mark Pane, Michelle Tabayoyong and Bonnie Hriczko), if Weston expects to exceed those costs within the following 5 days.

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**Subject:** 68HE0221F0043 Technical Direction letter(s) #0011-0030

Good Morning Tim,

Attached, please find Technical Direction letter #0011-0030 for TO 68HE0221F0043.

Please advise if there are any questions/concerns upon review.

Receipt confirmation is requested.

V/r,

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